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**STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP OF PATENT REFERENCE CITATION
AND INVENTION TO DISQUALIFY PRIOR ART UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(c)**

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Sir:

The above-identified application and the reference Young et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,883,908 were, at the time the invention of the above-identified application was made, owned by the same entity, 3M Company, then known as Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company (now known as 3M and its affiliate 3M Innovative Properties Company).

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